

Application No. 10/027,906

REMARKS

Claims 1-25, 126-133, 136-137 and 142-145 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 26-125, 134-135 and 138-141 are canceled without prejudice. The Examiner rejected claims 1-147 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph for indefiniteness due to multiplicity. In view of the Examiner's assertion that the application as filed had an unreasonable number of claims, claims 26-125, 134-135 and 138-141 have been canceled without prejudice. Thus, only claims 1-25, 126-133, 136-137 and 142-145 are pending. In view of these amendments, Applicants assert that the claims are definite. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-147 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph for indefiniteness due to multiplicity.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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